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Alignment of the Angamali-Parur Road.

193. MR. N. RAMAKRISHNA PILLAI: (*a*) Will the Government be pleased to state whether the newly sanctioned bridge on the road from Angamali to Parur is to be so constructed as to lead to a new road to Mallusseri Kara instead of to the shorter road already existing?

(*b*) Are the Government aware that this will necessitate nearly two miles of additional road construction besides increased cost on account of land acquisition charges and the abandonment of the existing shorter road to Parur?

(*c*) Will the Government be pleased to ask the Chief Engineer to make a personal inspection of the locality before the construction of the bridge is proceeded with?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI: (*a*) The sanctioned arrangement has not been deviated from. The bridge sanctioned is not solely for the Angamali-Parur road, but also for the equally important Elavur road, both of which have a common crossing at the Kotakulangara river. The embankment sanctioned beyond the bridge is on the Elavur route and an investigation is being made to connect it with the Parur route.

(*b*) No. When the connection referred to above is also opened, the route to Parur will be longer only by about 100 yards than the existing low level route. Only a short bit of the existing road will have to be abandoned, being too low and costly to raise.

(*c*) It is not possible to alter the sanctioned site for the bridge, the lands on either side having been already acquired. Government do not consider it necessary to suspend the work until the Chief Engineer inspects the locality.

MR. N. RAMAKRISHNA PILLAI: In the answer to part (*a*), it is stated that "the bridge sanctioned is not solely for the Angamali-Parur road, but also for the equally important Elavur road." May I know whether the road sanctioned is the road leading from Angamali to Parur?

MR. R. KRISHNA PILLAI: I claim notice.

Erection of New Places of Public Worship.

194. MR. J. JOHN NIDIRY: (*a*) Are the Government aware of the difficulties and expenses the people have to undergo in the matter of getting sanction for building new places of public worship?

(*b*) Will the Government be pleased to state whether they have any objection to reduce the distance referred to in column 5 in the form of application appended to the Proclamation dated the 13th Vrischikam, 1074, to a furlong or two?

(*c*) Will the Government be pleased to furnish a statement showing:

(i) the number of applications for the erection of new places of public worship received during the years 1095, 1096 and 1097, respectively;